

K352 106 Spring Avenue

c. 1861

Chestertown

private

As little of the original house remains, the significance of this older brother to the monumental Eliason House it shares Town Lot 48 with is mainly a matter of local history. The original structure was built in the early 1860's, presumably by Alfred Rockwell, the builder of the Eliason House, who, according to local tradition, used the front room as a workshop for boat-building.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

106 Spring Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY Kent

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___ DISTRICT
___ BUILDING(S)
☒ STRUCTURE
___ SITE
___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___ IN PROCESS
___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
___ UNOCCUPIED
___ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
___ YES: RESTRICTED
___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

___ AGRICULTURE
___ COMMERCIAL
___ EDUCATIONAL
___ ENTERTAINMENT
___ GOVERNMENT
___ INDUSTRIAL
___ MILITARY
___ MUSEUM
___ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___ RELIGIOUS
___ SCIENTIFIC
___ TRANSPORTATION
___ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Walker C. Eliason

Telephone #: 778-1974

STREET & NUMBER

106 Spring Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21620

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the County Clerk

STREET & NUMBER

Kent County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Maryland

Liber #: EHP 65-746

Folio #:

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

none

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

106 Spring Avenue is located on the north corner of the intersection of Spring Avenue and Calvert Street on a portion of Town Lot 48 in Chestertown.

It is a 2-story, 3 bay by 1 room deep mid-nineteenth century frame house with an unusually low pitched gable roof (thirty degrees). The house has been remodeled at least twice and presently has two wings. It is covered with aluminum siding.

The house sits on a brick basement. The entrance is in a 1-bay porch and occupies the middle bay of the facade. The porch sits on a brick base, has wood steps with an iron handrail, four square posts across the front, and a flat roof. The door is 4-paneled with narrow 3-pane sidelights and a 4-pane transom.

The windows on the facade are double hung sash, six panes over six, with louvered shutters.

There is a box cornice, the roof is covered with composition shingles, and there are no chimneys.

There is one window on each floor of both gable ends: all are 6/6 with louvered shutters.

There is a (possibly original) 20 story flat roof wing squared to the northeast (right) gable end and another wing built along side of it on the inside (the interior space is continuous) which is set in about six feet from the southwest gable end. The latter wing was added in 1947.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		history of historic property

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1861

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

A.H. Rockwell (probably)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

As little of the original house remains, its significance is mainly a matter of its role in the history of Lot 48, commonly known as "The Clubhouse Lot."

The house was built in the early 1860's, probably by Alfred Rockwell, carpenter and builder, who according to local tradition used the front room of the main structure as a workshop where he built small boats. Rockwell is the builder of the monumental Eliason House next door at 108 Spring Avenue. He bought a 32' x 105' piece of Lot 48 from Thomas Eliason in 1860, built the house, and then four years later, turned it over to the Franks who turned it back to Eliason in 1865. It has remained in the Eliason family ever since.

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According to its present owner, the unusually low pitched roof is original.

Summary of Title Search

Commissioners of Chestertown to James Mansfield (1845)

James Mansfield to Thomas W. Eliason JNG 12 436 (1849) \$1510

(all of Lot 48 and 42 across the street; at this time the Townsend Building is already on Lot 42.)

Thomas W. Eliason to Alfred H. Rockwell JKH 2 313 (1860) \$200
(piece of Lot 48, 32' x 105')

Alfred H. Rockwell to Rachel Frank JKH 4 377 (1864) \$1500
(same piece of Lot 48, now presumably with 106 Spring on it)

Rachel and Isaac Frank to Thomas W. Eliason JKH 4 688 (1865) \$1500

Remains in Eliason family descending by wills with no references until 1973 when upon the death of Thomas W. Eliason, Thomas W. Eliason, Jr., as personal representative of his father's estate, deeds property to Walker C. Eliason along with the Eliason House next door at 108 Spring. EHP 65 746 (1973).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY

1.173 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See attached sheet.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Robert Neill Historic Site Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Town of Chestertown

DATE

July, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

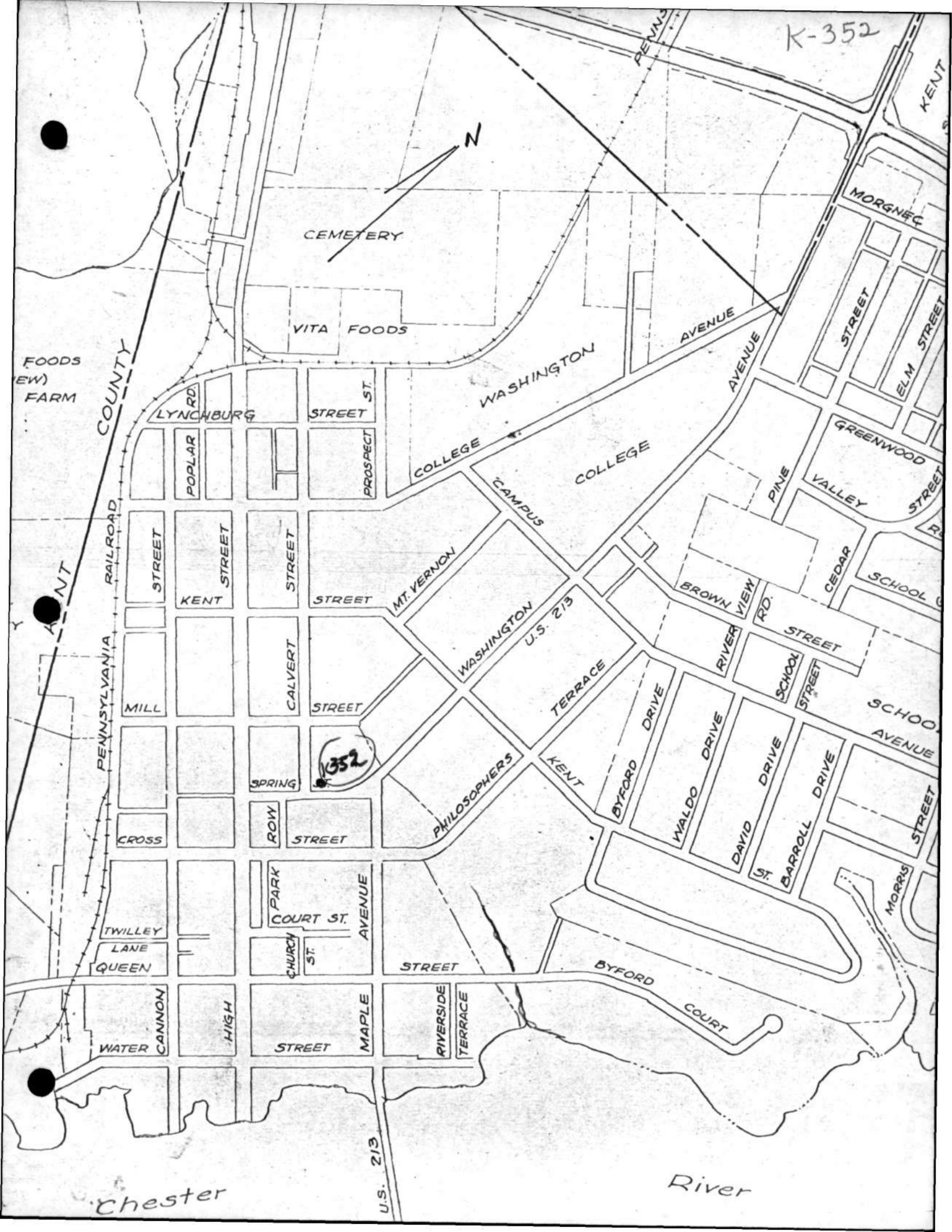
The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Legal Description

Beginning at an iron pipe on the southeast side of Mill Street, said point being the northernmost corner of the herin described lands and the westernmost corner of the lands of J.H. Lee; and running thence by and with said Lee lands South 42 degrees, 4 minutes, 30 seconds East 91.91 feet to an iron pipe and a new division line between the herin described lands and other lands of Eliason; thence by and with said other lands the four following courses and distances: (1) South 47 degrees, 55 minutes, 30 seconds 49.60 feet to an iron pipe, (2) South 39 degrees East 93.67 feet to an iron pipe, (3) South 56 degrees, 49 minutes East 96.53 feet to an iron pipe and (4) South 41 degrees, 56 minutes East 76.68 feet to an iron pipe at the inside of a concrete walk on the northwest side of Spring Street; thence by and with the northwest side of Spring Street South 46 degrees, 19 minutes West 144 feet to an iron pipe on the northeast side of Calvert Street; thence by and with the northeast side of Calvert Street North 52 degrees, 4 minutes, 30 seconds West 359.52 feet to an iron pipe and the southeast side of Mill Street; thence by and with the southeast side of Mill Street North 47 degrees, 55 minutes, 30 seconds 174.26 feet to the place of beginning.

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VITA FOODS

COUNTY

RAILROAD

PENNSYLVANIA

TWILLEY LANE FARM

WATER CANNON

QUEEN

HIGH

STREET

LYNCHBURG

POPLAR RD.

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